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(SBU) Pol/econ officer delivered points contained reftel to Jean-Louis Thill, MFA Coordinator for Near and Middle-Eastern Affairs on 7 December. Thill said that Luxembourg would be sending a delegation to the 17 December donors conference and that the delegation would be headed by FM Jean Asselborn. Regarding pledges, Thill said that final amounts have not yet been decided, but called our attention to the fact that Luxembourg has been actively involved in the Palestinian Territories and in 2007 donated 4.2M EUR in development and cooperation assistance. Thill further noted that for each of the past several years Luxembourg's contributions have increased and said that he believed the figure for 2008 would "not be less than that of this year." Thill could not provide any insight to what, if any, portion of this amount might be direct budgetary assistance to the Palestinian Authority.

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